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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

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 P.O. Box 1450  
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Sir:

In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a), it is respectfully requested that a one-month extension of time be granted in which to respond to the outstanding Office Action mailed 18 January 2006 and Advisory Action mailed 5 May 2006, thereby extending the date on which the period of response is set to expire from 18 April 2006 to 18 May 2006.

Please charge Deposit Account No. 13-4895 in the amount of \$120.00 to cover the required extension fee. Please charge any additional fees or credit any over-payment to PTO Deposit Account No. 13-4895.

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